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1. Prior to the occupation of Czechoslovakia by the Germans in 1939, the Czechoslovak Armament Plant "Zbrojovka" in Brno (Bruenn, Czechoslovakia) delivered the following military supplies to the Chinese Nationalist Government:

Rifles, caliber 7.92 mm Mauser-type, 1924 style	100,000
Bren-type light machine guns	2,500
Schwartzlose-type machine guns	2,500
Ammunition for rifles	1,000 rounds each
Ammunition for machine guns	10,000 rounds each

An undetermined amount of machinery needed for the production of 7.92 mm ammunition was also delivered.

2. The Chinese Government still owes the Czechoslovak Armament Plant in Brno approximately 500,000 British pounds. The present Czechoslovak Government will attempt to collect this sum.
3. After the occupation of Czechoslovakia in 1939, the Japanese Military Attache in Berlin conducted negotiations for further delivery of arms to China (for the Kuantung Army) via Japan. It is believed that a contract was made and an unstated amount of arms were delivered to the Japanese who forwarded the arms to the Kuantung Army in Manchuria.

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